REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.

09/064,216

Filed:

April 22, 1998

Of:

Mark ROSS, et al.

Entitled:

Clay/Organic Chemical Compositions Useful, as Additives

to Polymer, Plastic and Resin Matrices to Produce

Nanocomposites and Nanocomposites Containing Such

Compositions

Examiner:

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Accompanying this order is a true copy of the prior application as

originally filed.

Total pages 33

2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of \_ sheet(s),

depicting Figures \_\_\_.

X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:

a. Newly executed (original or copy)

b. Copy from prior application

i. \_ Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached

deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

c. X Deferred

X 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.